

Isaiah Oct. 29. 1871.

My Dear Friend:

When arriving here this morning I took my pilgrims staff & sandal shoes and wended my way to Spring St. to consult with Theodore Parker touching the Bible Convention. He was not at home but I followed him to Mr. Geo. Russell's (Dover Street) where I found them throwing Post in hand - talking the matter over. I perceived in the twinkling of an eye that he was not up to this scratch - and accordingly so it proved. I set the matter with as much plainness as I could before him - touching responsibility - "unrepulsiveness" &c. &c. - and he has taken the matter into consideration. But he will not sign it. I think that if I had been beforehand with the Post & had opened the matter to him by himself that he would have regarded the matter differently.

This, I take it, settles the case of Emerson  
also. If Parker cannot "consentively" sign  
it - can he if Leonard have "ripened" sufficiently  
to be ready to stand hot in hand & say  
"Walk up, ladies & gentlemen, - the greatest show  
ever seen in this town - all alive, alive - ho -  
walk up, ladies & gentlemen, & see the lion  
dance!" In this I ~~take it~~ <sup>apprehend</sup> is about  
all that is required of us - only we are not  
so fairly responsible for the antics of the strange  
beasts we may bring together as the lions' den -  
being master for the pirouettes of his pupil. Now  
the question is whether we shall had better  
sign the call only, or whether we shall fill  
up our vacancies - & if so who shall they  
be? I'mi but old organized Abolitionists  
are ready for such a work - except no organ-  
ized ones. Would it injure Francis Jackson's  
"carefulness" to do so? He would represent a day  
& "cover a fact." Think over the friends and  
think who it is best to ask if any body.



out in the six o'clock train on Saturday  
night. he may save the cause three dollars  
here. ~~and save the cause~~ <sup>I do not know but my own</sup> self  
with to see more of him may enter into  
my enemy. He will, in that case, get his  
tea here after his arrival, and we will make

Mr Henry G. Chapman.

of Chalmers Place.

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ever as comfortable as we can. Should he not  
appear I shall be after him according to  
previous arrangements. I remain  
all. Truly yours  
Edmund Quincy.